

CONSIDERATION OF PANAMA OFFER FAVORED BY SENATORS

Forty Members of the Upper House Desire Further Information Before Voting.

THIRTY-ONE WHO FAVOR NICARAGUAN ROUTE LIKELY TO SECURE ACTION THIS SESSION.

Overwhelming Sentiment Against Any Protracted Delay.

CANAL COMMISSION TO MEET.

To Consider Tomorrow Latest Offer From French Company—A Decision in Two or Three Weeks—Prospects for Legislation Considered Bright. Only One Senator Opposing Every Isthmian Waterway.

A poll of the Senate has been taken on the Isthmian canal question, resulting as follows:

For the Nicaraguan route.....31
For Giving consideration to the Panama offer.....40
Opposed to an Isthmian Canal (Teller).....1

Interviews with those enumerated in the poll show conclusively that there is an overwhelming sentiment in favor of definite canal legislation during this session of Congress, and that, although a large majority of the Senators, prior to the making of the offer by the Panama Canal Company favored the Nicaraguan route, the majority now believe that the Panama offer should be carefully considered before such action is taken.

Senators Seek Facts.
This does not mean that the Panama offer necessarily will be accepted. Few of those who say they are in favor of its being considered are willing to say that they would vote for it. They simply desire more light on the situation.

The really important feature of the poll is that it developed only one Senator op-

posed to any sort of canal legislation—Senator Teller of Colorado. Under these circumstances the prospects for the passage of the canal bill at the present session are very favorable.

Before the Canal Commission
The Isthmian Canal Commission, which is to meet tomorrow to consider the Panama offer, will not be long delayed in reaching a conclusion as to the advisability of accepting it. All the data are at hand. The only thing necessary will be for the Commission to reach a verdict on the facts as presented. This may be expected within two or three weeks.

How the Senators Stood.
The result of the poll of the Senate is as follows:

Senators favoring the Nicaraguan Canal bill: Bacon, Bailey, Bard, Bate, Berry, Beveridge, Blackburn, Culberson, Deboe, Dubois, Foster of Louisiana, Foster of Washington, Hawley, Jones of Arkansas, McComas, McNary, McLaurin of Mississippi, McPherson, Penrose, Pettus, Platt of New York, Quay, Rawlins, Simmons, Stewart, Talliferro, Tillman, and Turner—31.

Senators favoring consideration of the Panama offer: Aldrich, Allison, Burrows, Clapp, Clark of Montana, Clay, Cockrell, Cullom, Depew, Dietrich, Dillingham, Elkins, Fairbanks, Frye, Gallinger, Hale, Hanna, Hansbrough, Harris, Heilford, Hoar, Jones of Nevada, Keen, Kearns, Kittredge, Lodge, McMillan, Mallory, Millard, Mitchell, Nelson, Platt of Connecticut, Pritchard, Proctor, Quarles, Scott, Simon, Spooner, Vest, and Wetmore—40.

Senators not seen: Burnham, Burton, Carmack, Clark of Wyoming, Daniel, Dooliver, Foraker, Gamble, Gibson, McCumber, Martin, Patterson, Perkins, Warren, and Wellington—15.
Opposed to any canal: Teller—1.

MYSTERY SURROUNDS DEATH OF FORMER KENTUCKY BELLE.

Wife of Army Lieutenant May Have Killed Herself, But Valuables Are Missing.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 14.—With a crumpled, faded love letter tightly clutched in her hand, Mrs. Cullen Calhoun Mitchell, formerly a Kentucky belle, the wife of an army lieutenant, was found dead in her room.

An empty landauin lay beside her indicated that she had committed suicide. But \$15,000 worth of bonds and \$5,000 worth of jewelry, which she had two days before her death, had disappeared, and this fact lends some mystery to the case.

An Unfortunate Love.
Elizabeth Crawford, the woman's maid, came to the excellent family. As a young girl she was unfortunate in a love affair, running away from home with a man who abandoned her in a few weeks, after a fake marriage ceremony at Lexington, Ky.

Ashamed to go home, the girl determined to make her own living.

Unsuccessfully she tried until a rich man undertook to manage her finances.

Then came the Spanish war, and Lexington was a big army camp.

The beautiful woman, known then as Pearl Crawford, met a young soldier,

Lieut. Cullen C. Mitchell, of the First Mississippi Volunteers, who belonged to a well-known family in Mississippi.

His father is a physician of prominence in the South, and head of the insane asylum in his native State.

Married a Soldier.

Pearl Crawford and the soldier were married, and she, with her valuables, \$15,000 in bonds and \$5,000 worth of jewelry, came to Louisville.

The Spanish war was over, but Lieutenant Mitchell obtained a regular commission, and went to the Philippines. His wife met him on his return in Oakland.

There they quarreled.

He brought her to Louisville, then left a few months ago to visit his parents. He was to be gone but a week.

Husband Never Returned.

The week passed and lengthened into months, but Mitchell did not come back. Family inquiries kept him from his wife. She grew despondent.

Friends heard a queer noise in Mrs. Mitchell's room and the police were called and broke open the door. Mrs. Mitchell had been dead for hours. Her trunk was open. The money and securities were gone. On the side of the open window could be seen plainly the imprint of a man's boot.

The authorities have been notified that Lieutenant Mitchell is on his way here from Mississippi to claim the remains of his wife.

ADDITIONAL HONOR FOR MISS ROOSEVELT.

HER NAME FOR ROYAL YACHT.

Report That Emperor Will Call His New Schooner "Alice" After His Cousin and the President's Daughter.

The steel hulled schooner yacht now building at Shooter's Island, New York, for Emperor William of Germany is to be called Alice, in honor of Miss Alice Roosevelt, daughter of President Roosevelt, who is to name the yacht, and for a cousin of the Emperor, whose name is also Alice.

The statement is made by Mr. Henry G. Barby, of Messrs. Cary Smith & Barby, the designers of the yacht. Mr. Barby says that the information has come to him unofficially, but that he does not doubt its authenticity.

From Trustworthy Source.

"We have not been officially informed of the name of the new yacht," Mr. Barby is reported as saying, "but we have it from a trustworthy source that the boat will be called jointly for President Roosevelt's daughter and a cousin of Emperor William who bears the same name."

The fact that Miss Alice Roosevelt is to name the yacht, and that it may be named in her honor, together with the knowledge that Prince Henry of Prussia will represent his brother, Emperor William, at the exercises, has added extraordinary interest to the affair.

Permission for a Drain Box.

The Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company has made application for permission to place a drain box in their right of way along the tracks of Fifth and K Streets southeast and the Commissioners have determined to grant the desired permit.

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PURE FOOD EXHIBITION.

Entertaining Display at the Washington Light Infantry Hall.

The Pure Food Exhibition opened, last night, at the Washington Light Infantry Hall, which was beautifully decorated with hundreds of electric lights.

Mr. Andrew Boyd has charge of the present show. He has been for a number of years engaged in the work of promoting these exhibits in various parts of the country. Mr. Boyd had charge of the last pure food show held in this city, nine years ago.

A number of the booths and stands are not yet completed. At all of the stands samples were given away by the fair women who presided over them.

A brass band which will furnish music during the afternoon and evening is one of the features. At 2 o'clock this afternoon a graduate of Mrs. Rorer's cooking school will give a demonstration in the preparation of quick soups. Every afternoon some lecture on a subject interesting to housekeepers will be delivered. Samples of pure food, scientifically cooked, will be handed round to demonstrate the theories propounded.

The exhibition will close on the 1st of February.

JENNINGS BLACKLISTED.

President Johnson Breaks Up Baseball's Celebrated "Big Four."

CHICAGO, Jan. 14.—Hugh Jennings will not be allowed to play in the American League this year.

President Johnson announced last night that he is on the blacklist, and that "Muggsy" McGraw will not have the services of the star player in his infield.

This will be a great blow to McGraw, since he intended to have the "big four" together again this season, consisting of himself, Jennings, Keeler, and Kelly.

The cause of his being placed on the blacklist is the trouble which he had last summer with the Baltimore and Philadelphia managements of the American League. Both McGraw and Connie Mack wanted him, and finally Jennings ended the matter by joining the Philadelphia Club of the National League.

Bears the Signature of

Chas. H. Hilditch

WOMAN SUES RUSSELL SAGE.

Says Aged Financier Paid Her Attention Once.

"WOMEN THE DEVIL," HE SAYS.

Isabella d'Ajuria, the Plaintiff, Declares She Sued Before, and Accepted Offer of a Compromise, Which Was Not Performed—Declares She Can Produce Mr. Sage's Letters.

NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—Russell Sage, at eighty-two, has a damage suit on his hands, brought by a woman who demands \$75,000 for attentions alleged to have been paid her seventeen years ago by the financier.

Isabella d'Ajuria is the woman's name, according to papers just filed in the Supreme Court. Much mystery surrounds her. Her counsel will not say a word about the case, but Mr. Sage remembers her. He said so last night, and volunteered the information that when first she came to his house, seventeen years ago, he "guessed she was good enough looking."

There are no merits in the woman's case, according to Mr. Sage. He thought the matter had been disposed of when first she came to him, and he had quite dismissed the incident from his mind when Isabella d'Ajuria again sought him last June and threatened to expose him in the newspapers unless he acceded to her demands for a settlement.

He tapped the floor nervously with his foot as he spoke. He had left Mrs. Sage in the back parlor and, seated on a carved bench of oak in the hall, told of the affair in tones which could not have been heard by any eavesdropper. Isabella d'Ajuria's counsel is A. H. Hummel, and he applied yesterday for permission to the Supreme Court, for permission to produce evidence on the short case calendar, that it might be tried at an early date.

Promised Compromise Once.

According to the papers in the case, Isabella d'Ajuria brought an action in the Supreme Court against Mr. Sage as far back as 1884, in which she demanded \$100,000 damages. She asserts that Mr. Sage promised to make her a gift of \$75,000, or its equivalent if she would refrain from continuing her action. She further declares that after a conference last June with Mr. Sage an agreement was entered into by which she would abandon all future action, but to give her a house and lot in Mount Vernon valued at \$25,000, and also a house in Manhattan to be used by her as a town residence in winter. This property was to be given to her within six months and she was to have it.

Now Isabella d'Ajuria comes into court complaining that she yielded to Mr. Sage's promises and abandoned her suit. She declares he has failed to fulfill his part of the contract, and therefore she has applied for judgment in \$75,000.

Mr. Sage has engaged Goodwin, Thompson & Vanderpool as counsel, and they have entered a general denial in behalf of their client. Every effort has been made to keep the case a secret, but it became known yesterday when Mr. Hummel made his application to Justice Trux.

Isabella d'Ajuria claims the ability to produce the contract for the settlement between herself and Mr. Sage in the original suit. She has volunteered to produce letters written by Mr. Sage and declares it her belief that the case can be tried in two hours.

Justice Trux granted the application to place the case on the next call, since no one representing Mr. Sage appeared to oppose the motion.

My old friend, Mr. Coombs, tells me I should never have anything to do with women in a business way," Mr. Sage said last night.

He appeared much put out by the action brought against him. He shifted uneasily on the hall seat and, contrary to his usual custom when giving out an interview at his office, Mr. Sage did not accompany him into the hall.

"No Talk of Compromise."

"Let me see," and he looked at the ceiling reflectively, "this woman first came to see me in 1884. The first time I ever laid eyes on her. She served some papers on me in a legal action, a \$100,000 one, I remember rightly, claiming I had paid attention to her."

Here Mr. Sage dropped his voice, and his rising color denoted that the incident was not numbered among his pleasant reminiscences.

"I turned the papers over to Judge Dillon, who was my lawyer at that time, and he gave them to Judge Gould, who has had them ever since, I suppose. Why, I didn't even know the woman's name, and had forgotten all about it, when in the case to my office last June and she wanted to buy a privilege to trade in some stocks."

"There was no talk about any house and lot or anything else. When I paid no attention to her she threatened to sue me!"

TO SPOIL CORONATION.

Boers Saving Themselves for Heavy Blows in June.

LONDON, Jan. 14.—The War Office has been informed that the Boers are saving their strength with a view to striking several heavy blows just previous to King Edward's coronation and thus spoiling the festivities.

They think the resulting moral effect on English opinion would be helpful to their cause.

Lord Kitchener has therefore been urged to redouble his efforts to terminate the war before the coronation.

IN TERRITORIES' BEHALF.

Arizona and New Mexico Governors Coming to Washington.

CHICAGO, Jan. 14.—Governor Murphy of Arizona arrived in Chicago yesterday en route to Washington, where he will meet Governor Otero of New Mexico and will join forces with the latter official in urging the passage of a measure to admit the two Territories to Statehood.

Murphy is firmly of the opinion that the bill will be passed.

Governor Benton McMillin of Tennessee, accompanied by John H. McDowell, a prominent Southern Democrat, is at the Great Northern.

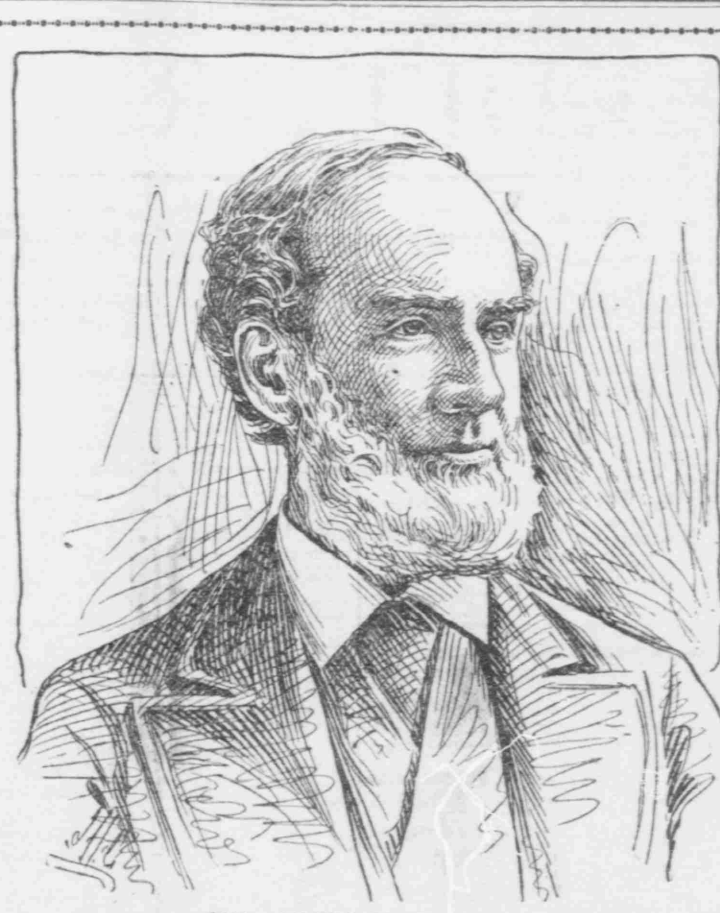
300 MILES AN HOUR.

Prof. John Dew Announces Starting Project in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Jan. 14.—To leave Chicago after breakfast, arrive in New York in time for luncheon, and return to Chicago in time for dinner and the theatre, is the scheme proposed by Prof. John Dew, of Washington, who is in Chicago.

Prof. Dew is advocating the construction of an electric railroad between the two cities on which it is designed to run trains at the rate of 300 miles an hour.

He claims he has ample capital to construct the line, and is working out the details of the company which he expects to organize.



MR. JOHN MARBURY,
Whose Resignation of the Presidency of the Oldest Inhabitants' Association Is Announced.

On account of his approaching the eightieth milestone of the race of life, Mr. John Marbury, one of the pioneers and lifelong residents of Georgetown, has tendered his resignation as president of the Oldest Inhabitants' Association, which office he has held for more than twenty years.

Although an octogenarian, Mr. Marbury is still hale and hearty, but acting on the advice of his family physician, he remains indoors after dusk during the winter months, and is therefore unable to preside at the regular meetings of the Oldest Inhabitants' Association.

Of a Reminiscent Turn.

Seated in the drawing room of his residence, 337 U Street northwest, Mr. Marbury, with a mind as active as it was twenty years ago, entertained a Times reporter, and related reminiscences of his early days.

On the walls of the drawing room hung the life-size portraits of his father and grandfather, which appeared to be almost looking down upon the third to bear the name of John Marbury, by lineal descent.

"This is the third time I have tendered my resignation as president of the Oldest Inhabitants' Association," said Mr. Marbury. "On the two former occasions the association was a unit in refusing to accept it, but I feel that a younger and more active man than myself should become the presiding officer."

He was confirmed by the same clergyman, who was no longer the rector of Christ's Church, but the Rt. Rev. Charles McIlvaine, Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of Ohio. When Christ's Church was abandoned Mr. Marbury transferred his church relations to St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church.

Paid Respects to the President.

"I met with the association on New Year Day, when we assembled for the purpose of going in a body to present our compliments to President Theodore Roosevelt."

MR. SCHWAB ANGRY.

News of Alleged Gambling Incident Arouses His Ire.

MONTE CARLO, Jan. 14.—Mr. C. M. Schwab, president of the American Steel Corporation, is very indignant that his play at the Casino here should have been reported in the newspapers. He said yesterday that this was the last time he would ever visit Monte Carlo.

Mr. Schwab tried his luck at trente quarante last night and won several thousand francs. He did not play maxims but had three or four thousand francs on each coup. Later in the evening he played roulette and had consistent luck. The number he backed never appeared and he must have lost \$2,000.

Lord Roslyn is playing roulette at a table a mile, haphazard, on individual numbers.

THE PEACEMAKER THANKED.

New York Republicans Appreciate Services of Robert C. Morris.

NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—The Hon. Robert C. Morris, chairman of the Republican county committee, is receiving the thanks of the party leaders of the city and State for his skillful work in preventing an open rupture between Mayor Low and the local Republican organization.

He has not only prevented a rupture, but has succeeded in obtaining some compromise and the public recognition of the Republican county committee. At one time the situation was strained and critical, but it is now understood that the trouble is all over.

Michigan Town Quarantined.

CALUMET, Mich., Jan. 14.—The town of Pequaing, in Beraga county, with a population of 500, is quarantined and business is at a standstill. Several cases of scarlet fever and diphtheria have appeared and the contagion is spreading. The schools, postoffice, churches and many stores are closed.

Roosevelt. It was at this time that I last tendered my resignation, but as no business meeting has since been held, no formal action has been taken on it, and my successor has not as yet been elected."

It appears that on one of the former occasions of Mr. Marbury's tendering his resignation as president of the association, he gave as his reason that his family physician had forbidden him going out after dusk, especially in the cold weather, and that he was not, therefore, able to preside at the regular meetings.

So anxious was the association to retain him in the office of president that it was decided to hold the regular meetings at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, instead of in the evening. But the holding of the meetings in the afternoon proved a dismal failure so far as attendance of the members was concerned, as many could not leave their business to attend at that hour.

Short Sketch of Mr. Marbury.

Mr. Marbury was born in Georgetown, October 4, 1822. The house in which he was born was situated on First Street, near High Street, what is known today as N Street, near Thirty-second Street, northwest.

In addition to being one of the pioneers of Georgetown he is also the oldest member and the oldest vestryman of St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church, of which church he has been a communicant for nearly three score years.

He was baptized as an infant at old Christ's Protestant Episcopal Church, which was situated at what is now Thirty-first and O Streets northwest. The baptismal function was performed by Rev. Charles McIlvaine, who was at the time rector of Christ's Church.

By a strange coincidence Mr. Marbury was confirmed by the same clergyman, who was no longer the rector of Christ's Church, but the Rt. Rev. Charles McIlvaine, Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of Ohio.

When Christ's Church was abandoned Mr. Marbury transferred his church relations to St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church.

To Hold Memorial Service.

The Knights of Columbus of this city will hold a service in memory of the late Mr. Patrick Herlihy at Carroll Hall on Thursday, January 23. Mr. M. G. Holeran, the chancellor of Washington Council, of which Mr. Herlihy was a member, will deliver the eulogy.

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